

**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
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REMARKS: ⁽⁵⁾ Per our conversation 16 Nov.
 I have informed Col Schow of desire for
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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

VIA: Executive, CIA

SUBJECT: President's Communications Policy Board Publications 3172

1. P. C. P. B. Publication #1 outlines the telecommunications problems confronting the United States and considered as coming within the scope of the Board's directive.

2. P. C. P. B. Publication #2 is a compilation of brief excerpts of existing legislation, treaties, agreements and policy statements relating to telecommunications matters for use as background material. The format of P. C. P. B. #2 is keyed to that of P. C. P. B. #1 for ready cross-referencing.

3. The outline presented in P. C. P. B. #1 indexes the problems under eight (8) general categories and is further sub-divided to index specific aspects for consideration under each. Five (5) categories are listed as specific problems now under consideration, and three (3) are listed that should be studied in the formulation of an overall national telecommunications policy. They are as follows:

"A. Specific Problems

- ✓(1) The increasing demand for frequency assignments within the limits of the usable radio spectrum.
- ✓(2) Effectiveness of administration of the radio spectrum by the United States.
- (3) Unsound conditions of the domestic commercial telegraph industry.
- (4) The effectiveness of the F. C. C. in coping with its increased work load.
- ✓(5) The necessity for formulating and implementing a national telecommunications policy.

B. Aspects of Telecommunications which should be explored and translated in terms of the overall national interest

- ✓(6) Merger of commercial overseas communications companies in terms of overall national interest

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✓(7) The extent to which the Government should continue operation of communications facilities.

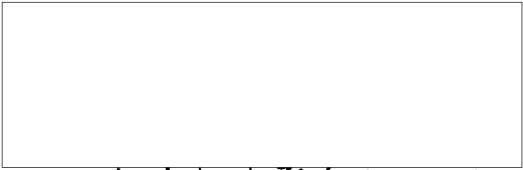
(8) A review of United States telecommunications from the standpoint of monopoly."

4. The publications appear to have two purposes; (a) to indicate the magnitude and complexities of the task with which the Board is confronted, and, (b) the Board's approach to the resolution of these varied aspects to produce a realistic and workable National Telecommunications Policy and provide for its effective implementation as directed in the terms of reference establishing the Board.

5. Based on present and foreseeable future communications requirements it is believed that CIA should interest itself in the final resolution of problems Nos. 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7 referred to above which may directly or indirectly affect the operations of this Agency.

6. The Chief, Communications Division, OSO is preparing comments and recommendations for the Director in connection with this general subject. It is recommended that the attached publications be made available to him for his use in connection therewith.

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1. President's Communications Policy Board Publication #1
2. President's Communications Policy Board Publication #2